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LAY HIM TO SLEEP.

In Memoriam—Hugh J. Higgins.

Lay him to sleep where the wild lilies slumber,
Lay him to sleep where the violets bloom,
Down in the valley where stars beyond number
Look through the mists of the night on his tomb.
Down where the cedars and willows are sighing
Lay him to sleep with the gentle and fair,
Then, when the light of the sunset is dying,
Angels will come and will sing to him there.
Though he is gone, still his memory lingers,
Linked with fond scenes that were happy and bright,
Linked with those days when dawn's rosyate fingers
Promised him visions of joy and delight.
But, like a dawn from which light has departed,
Leaving the world in gloom and dismay,
Thus he has left his loved ones broken-hearted,
Weeping the sad, lonely hours away.
THOMAS WALSH.

IRISH IN LOCAL POLITICS.

The editor of the Catholic Citizen of Milwaukee has a leading editorial in a recent issue on ward politics. It reads more like an editorial from an A. P. A. organ than the writing of an Irish Catholic.
The editorial holds up the Irish to scorn and ridicule, blaming them by implication for the corruption existing in ward politics. We do not know how it is in Milwaukee, but in Louisville Irishmen who lead in ward politics do not hang around saloons waiting for drinks while they discuss the ethics of local politics.
Irishmen have taken a leading part in the politics of most American cities. As a rule they have shown themselves to be capable, honest and faithful to the trusts imposed upon them. The Irish voter, too, is as a rule honest and is not influenced by a drink of whiskey as is intimated by the Milwaukee editor.

Ward politics would be benefitted perhaps if all good citizens would take more interest in municipal affairs. Those who think themselves too good to go out and hustle for good men are to blame when bad men get in. No good is accomplished by sitting around and grumbling, and it is unjust to the Irish-American voter to blame him for the dishonesty existing in ward politics. After all there is less corruption going on in American cities than there was twenty years ago, and Irishmen have helped to bring this about.

GROWING APART.

A good man said to his wife, who was complaining that she was tired beyond bearing by some persons with whom she had relations in her daily life: "My dear, you are not taking the right view of this matter. You are forgetting that these people are giving you a great help in developing the finer qualities of your character. You are sweeter, more self-restrained and nobler through the exercise of tact, tenderness and unselfishness to them. You ought to thank God that He has given you just this discipline." It is not necessary to specify the various causes which lead many a husband and wife to grow apart. We are all agreed that whatever the causes are, they ought not to exist; that the love of husband and wife should grow deeper and stronger with each passing year. The attentions and courtesies which are bestowed in the days of betrothal are not to be dropped at marriage. "Trifles light as air" should not be allowed to grow until they spread discord and division in the house. Persons should be just as studious, thoughtful and considerate in retaining affection as in trying to secure it.

HOSPITALITY.

Some well meaning householders appear to regard the exercise of simple hospitality as either a troublesome custom, to be avoided if possible, or as an

extravagant indulgence to be limited to the frivolous social circle commonly designated "the smart set"—commonly and mistakenly, if "smart" is still the American synonym for "clever." The closing of the family heart to all social intercourse is by no means an indication of superior wisdom and virtue—quite the contrary.

Family life is neither conventual nor monastic; the family is the unit of human society. Happy indeed that home in which the purity and discipline of the religious life serve to regulate—not to suppress—the innocent gaiety of youth, the wholesome delights of worthy friendship. Such a home may be said to be ideally Catholic.

The overdoing of proper reserve into ill-natured isolation is the apotheosis of selfishness, inducing that narrowness of mind and heart which shuts from view all that is brightest and best in life. In-hospitable, ungracious people go on their way idiotically crushing the roses a-bloom and as carefully treasuring the thorns—the misery-making thorns of self-sufficiency, self-love, self-centralization. Does it pay? Never.

RECENT DEATHS.

Mrs. Mary Murphy, widow of the late Michael Murphy, died Wednesday afternoon at the family residence, 1205 Churchill street. Mrs. Murphy was an aged and respected resident of that neighborhood, being esteemed by all. The funeral took place from St. Louis Bertrand's church yesterday morning, with a requiem mass for the repose of her soul. The interment was in St. Louis cemetery.

Edward D. Morat, one of the pioneer florists of this city, died Wednesday evening at the Gray Street Infirmary after a brief illness, having suffered from an attack of peritonitis at the family residence, 3743 Grand Boulevard. He leaves a widow and three children to mourn his loss. The funeral took place from Holy Name church this morning at 9 o'clock, and the interment in St. Louis cemetery.

Mrs. James Stewart, the aged mother of Miss Adelia Stewart, principal of the Lytle street school, died Thursday morning at her home, 2319 West Jefferson street. The deceased had been in declining health for some time, but bore her suffering with patience and resignation. The funeral took place from St. Charles Borromeo church yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The interment was in St. Louis cemetery.

The funeral of Miss Lizzie Bradley, who died Monday, took place Wednesday morning from St. Michael's church, of which she had long been a devout member. Deceased was the daughter of Mary Bradley, 608 East Washington street, and was a young woman of many excellent traits of character. Her untimely death is deeply regretted by her wide circle of friends, and for the bereaved mother there is felt sincere sympathy.

One of the pioneer residents of this city, Mrs. Charlotte Klem, went to her reward when death relieved her from long and distressing illness. Her death took place at her residence, 1609 West Chestnut street, Sunday morning. Up to last September Mrs. Klem, who was nearly eighty years old, enjoyed excellent health and performed all her household duties. She was a loyal friend and kind neighbor, and bore her sufferings with Christian fortitude. She was the mother of Officer Baz Klem, and besides him leaves one daughter. Her funeral took place Tuesday afternoon, the interment being in Cave Hill.

MACKIN COUNCIL.

A fair-sized meeting of Mackin Council was held Monday night, though there was no business of importance to be transacted. Charles I. Cate and John Hubbs were obligated, and several reports received. The degree team members were requested to be ready for the big initiation of April 10, when the degrees will be conferred upon a large class.

NEW ALBANY.

Division 1, A. O. H., of New Albany, received its new paraphernalia and exemplified the degrees for the first time Thursday night. A crowd of more than 100 members was present, and after the ceremony a pleasant evening was spent. Last Sunday 150 members received holy communion at Holy Trinity. A social session is announced for April 7.

TAKES SHAPE.

The project which the Entertainment Committee had had under consideration, in which the people of Newport are greatly interested, took definite shape Monday evening, when Council 163 of the Young Men's Institute decided on her first moonlight excursion. The date of the promising event will be May 17, which is calendar for a new moon. The boat is to be the Island Queen, and all Newport will turn out.

BELLEVUE.

Council 206 of the Young Men's Institute of Bellevue celebrated in honor of

St. Patrick last Sunday evening with a very neat and refined entertainment. Dr. Thomas P. Hart, of the Catholic Telegraph, was the principal speaker. What makes the event more interesting is the fact there are only two members with whom Joe Cassidy, the leader of the council, can talk Irish, all the rest being of German extraction. The new rooms of this enterprising council are pretty and the members can justly feel proud of them.

SOCIETY.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, formerly of Ludlow, Ky., and well acquainted here, are now residing here permanently.

Miss Clara Smith, of 1948 Portland avenue, has recovered from a recent illness and is able to be among her friends again.

Miss Annie Kelly, of 1471 Seventh street, has entirely recovered from her recent illness and is now able to receive her many friends.

Miss Maude Breslin, the charming and popular young niece of Mrs. Eiza Jamison, of 615 West St. Catherine, has recovered from her illness.

The many admirers of Miss Ella Gnan, 1221 Eighth street, will be happy to learn that she is now convalescent, after an illness of four weeks.

Patrick Shaughnessy, a well-known resident of the Dominican parish, who has been ill for the past month, has now recovered sufficiently to walk around.

Mr. and Mrs. John Killeen, 1801 High avenue, are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine little son. Hundreds have called to the home to congratulate the proud father.

Mrs. M. J. McClusky and her pretty daughter, Miss Lee, left Friday for a two weeks' visit to Indianapolis, where they will be the guests of Mrs. Charles P. Lichter.

John T. Smith, the popular drummer for the Louisville Varnish Works, has returned home after a two weeks' stay at French Lick Springs, where he went hoping to improve his health.

Master Charles Doyle, of 1609 West Madison street, has recovered from a recent illness which confined him to his home for several days. His little friends are glad to have him among their number once again.

Mrs. Frank Buttner, of New Castle, Ky., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. David O'Connell, of 1025 East Washington street. Mrs. Buttner is very popular in New Castle society and has many friends in this city.

Frank G. Cunningham, the popular Western representative of the Louisville, Henderson & St. Louis railroad, with headquarters in the World's Fair City, was here for a few days this week visiting old friends, who are proud of his success.

Rev. Father Rock, of the Cathedral, who has been ill at St. Joseph's Infirmary for several weeks, is reported much improved. This will be welcome news to the people of all denominations, who are one and all admirers of the good and gentle priest.

Matt McDonald, a well known local railroad man, who has been employed at Memphis for the past several months, has returned home to accept a position with the I. C. railroad. Matt's many friends here are glad to welcome his smiling countenance back into the fold.

The Criterion Club, composed of twenty-five well known young men of the West End, banded together for social purposes only, announce that they will give their sixth select dance at Fountain Ferry Park on April 19. The committee having the arrangements in charge assure all who attend an evening of real enjoyment.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brady entertained a gathering of their friends last Sunday evening, the occasion being Mr. Brady's birthday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Callahan, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rafferty, Mrs. William Miller, Mrs. Smith King, Mrs. Albert Snyder, Misses Henrietta and Blanche Snyder, Loretta, Ida and Catherine Miller, Rose Habley, Catherine King and Winifred Murphy; Messrs. John Hennessey, Peter Monahan, John Habley, William Miller, Jr., Herbert Gray, James Cummings, Will Brady and Harry Brady, Jr. John A. Murphy, as spokesman for those present, wished Mr. Brady many happy returns of the day, while Charles Callahan, Peter Monahan and Will Brady rendered several vocal and musical selections.

MACAULEY'S.

Amelia Bingham, the famous actress manager, will appear at Macauley's in "Olympie" the first three nights next week and a Wednesday matinee. Bertha Gailand in "Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall," will come for four performances commencing Thursday night.

BUCKINGHAM.

Rush's Bon Ton with their big combination of three shows in one will begin a week's engagement at the Buckingham commencing with tomorrow's matinee. In addition to two musical burlesques the company carries a vaudeville contingent of specialty stars.

MASONIC THEATER.

"Hello Bill," a brand new farce-comedy, will begin a week's engagement at the Masonic Theater commencing Monday night. Harry Blakemore, a well known and clever comedian, will appear in the leading role. This comedy has been playing to excellent houses throughout the country.

DR. BIZOT

Impressed With Beauty and Improvements Made in Havana.

Visited Little Chapel Where Columbus Attended Mass.

Saw the Spot Where Rest Bodies of the Maine Victims.

HOW FUNERALS ARE CONDUCTED.

Dr. A. R. Bizot, who returned last week from Cuba, was greatly delighted with all he saw, but expresses his preference for old Kentucky. To a representative of the Kentucky Irish American he had this to say about his pleasure trip:

With a tropical sun beaming down upon the dark blue gulf, slowly approaching the gap the waters seem to have rent in the corals along the coast of Cuba, with the ruins of Santa Clara on the right, and the picturesque lighthouse of Moro Castle with the port of Cavana as a background on the left, no scene can be more impressive and lasting to the scrutinizing eye of nature's art and the preparation of defense in ancient warfare than one cast on both sides a vessel entering the harbor of Havana. Very few vessels land directly at the docks, hence they gradually drift into port until a husky voice cries out 'Let go,' when instantly a massive iron piece is thrust with a splash into the water and you are anchored safely in Cuban jurisdiction. On the south and east of the harbor lies the City of Havana. No sooner have you scanned the beauty of the southern climate than your attention is at once attracted by a huge mass of decaying iron. To the heart that beats for its loved ones, and the mind that prays for its dead, the lips quiver an Ave Maria for the sixty or more lost ones who are pinioned in their water graves in this twisted and sunken warrior that was once the admired Maine.

The people of Cuba are typical of the brunette type. The senorita, robed in her beauty, at first sight usually wins the admiration of Americans, but after some time is spent among the natives a similarity appears which soon becomes monotonous, and only then do you appreciate the varied shades and manners of your Kentucky belles.

The efforts on the part of the United States speak most wonderfully in the improvements that have taken place in this metropolis. Hardly can you turn about unless confronted by the works of American industry. The harbor is cleansed, the avenues and streets bordering thereon repaved, and concrete walks through the parks are conclusively convincing as to the sanitary and hygienic laws that have been carried out in this reconstruction.

It was our pleasure to meet Alexis E. Frye, ex-Superintendent of Schools of Cuba. It was through the courtesies and many kindnesses of this congenial gentleman and scholar we visited numerous places of interest that would otherwise have been overlooked. We take this opportunity of publicly thanking him for the interest he manifested. Looking out into the gulf, in the center of a beautiful grass plot, with the jail or commodious penitentiary on the south, and the spot of beauty, the Prado, on the west, stands a small portion of ruined wall which bears out the memory of one of the most pathetic facts. In 1871 it was announced that the tomb of a person of note had been molested. At the time considerable excitement prevailed and a vigorous search was instigated to ferret out the guilty party. Finally the consensus of opinion was that none other than medical students could be guilty of such a fiendish deed. Accordingly they (the students) were compelled to cast lots as to whom should pay the penalty, which was death. As innocent of this crime as their Redeemer, eight youthful lads were taken from their studies, placed against this portion of this wall and in the face of open barrels were shot to death. Hardly had their innocent forms cooled when from distant Spain the brother of the deceased appeared in Cuba, the tomb was invaded only to find that the sepulcher had never been molested, and that the worthy dead lay silently there in that sleep which knows no end. All Spain remoted at the hasty action, but the deed was done, and all that remains to speak of the past is this portion of wall with a slab fixed thereon with the inscription of eight names and in the cemetery are found eight mounds in the center of which is erected a gorgeous monument. And now, while speaking of the home of the dead, it bids fair to speak of the contrast in their and our method of paying the last rites of respect to our deceased. No women attend funerals, no weeping and wailing at the tomb, for they are tombs, a grave costing \$200, and affords a resting place for three. They are of brick masonry, eight feet deep, about the same length and two and a half feet wide, with a marble slab to close. Tenant number one is placed therein, after a period of two years. Naught but bones remaining, they are placed into a much smaller case prepared at the head end. The tomb proper is now ready for emigrant number two. His remains are dealt with in like manner as number one, but when the third occupant arrives he remains. Among the poorer classes the greatest respect possible is to convey the remains from residence to grave upon their shoulders. The more wealthy are conveyed to the cemetery by hearse drawn by six horses laden with heavy crepe. At the gates of the cemetery they

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Outside Sentinel—M. F. Ziegler.

are received and from thence borne to the grave upon their shoulders. All funerals usually take place between the hours of 4 and 5 o'clock in the evening. Always at the gate can be seen one of those black garments so well known to the Romanist. It is here you can strike your breast, ask mercy and guidance to ever keep within the path of Catholic faith.

The old and yet young Cathedral, which has stood for centuries and bids for many more, is one of the most solemn and interesting places. There are no pews, your feet to sit upon, the marble floor to kneel. There are thirteen altars, five upon each side of the main avenue. Within the sanctuary is a main and a side altar, four pulpits and confessionals numerous. The rear is occupied by a granite tomb of large dimension, in which formerly rested the ashes of Columbus. Just opposite to the Cathedral is the smallest of chapels. This marks the spot where was said the first mass attended by Columbus. This scene alone, this chapel covered by a spreading tree, the roof of American Catholicism and when the spreading rays of sunset, plays its water colors upon this spot, revelations take place within yourself and render your voyage to Havana fruitful.

FANCY DRESS

Knights of Rest Are Busy Preparing For Easter Monday.

Members of the Knights of Rest Fishing Club are now very busy completing arrangements for the annual fancy dress ball and gathering of their many friends at Phoenix Hill Hall on Easter Monday night. The Knights of Rest are a set of jolly fellows of the East End and are all earnest workers. In the summer season they conduct a great fishing camp on the river bank near the city, where thousands have sought rest and entertainment without cost. It is this feature that has made this club so popular among the professional and business men of Louisville. Upon this occasion Messrs. Tom Riley, Andy Wahl, J. Dahl, Joe Dacher and W. G. Schaefer will make every effort to give the friends of the club a warm welcome and a pleasant evening. They will be assisted by all the other club members, among whom are Messrs. A. Breitmeyer, Joseph Schene, Patrick Sheehan, John Wahl, John Dacher, William Schott, Henry Welker, Charles Walz, William Scharf, Capt. Frank Hager, William Muennighausen, H. Weintepfer, Albert Muennighausen, John Schlagenotto, Capt. John Kremer, Edward Scott, John Hoffman, Joseph Hodes, William Relling, Jordan Schmitt, George Herrman, Edward Schupp. William Relling will be chief manager and Jordan Schmitt music director.

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